

MASS INTENTIONS
INTENCIONES PARA LAS MISAS



Saturday, December 20, 2014
5:00 PM
Angela & Walter Rete (D)
By Lucy Silverio

Sunday, December 21, 2014
8:00 AM
Lionildo & Francisca Garcia (D)
By Parreira Family

9:30 AM
Victoria Santellano (D)
By Family

PRO POPOLO

11:00 AM
Joseph Lopez (D)
Por St. Jude Altar Guild

WEEKDAYMASSES
7:30 AM

Monday, December 22, 2014
Happy Birthday!
Erma Ortiz (L)
By Joe/Mary Rossotti

Tuesday, December 23, 2014
Ted Beshwate (D)
By Teresa Beshwate

Wednesday, December 24, 2014
Children's Mass 4:30 PM
Joseph N. Silveira (D)
By Clara M. Silveira

Midnight Mass 12:00 AM
Elsie & Eugene Daniel Correia (D)
By Correia Family

Christmas
Thursday, December 25, 2014
9:30 AM
Jess Negrete (D)
By Dolores Negrete

11:00 AM
Fidel G. Mendoza (D)
Por St. Jude Altar Guild



No Mass Friday, December 26, 2014

Saturday, December 27, 2014
5:00 PM
Manuel E. Fagundes (D)
By Betty Farmer & Family

Sunday, December 28, 2014
8:00 AM
Michael Gallaher (D)
By JoAnn/Gary Minniti

9:30 AM
Antonio Areias (D)
By Clarence/Belle Martin

PRO POPOLO

11:00 AM
Maria del Consuelo Jaquez (D)
Por Familia

WEEKDAYMASSES
7:30 AM

Monday, December 29, 2014
Belle Barra (D)
By Fred/Maxine Machado

Tuesday, December 30, 2014
Daniel Cunha (D)
By Jennifer Santos & Girls

No Mass
Wednesday, December 31, 2014

9:30 AM New Year's Day
Thursday, January 1, 2015
Rossotti Family (D)
By Joe/Mary Rossotti

Friday, January 2, 2015
Antonio Areias (D)
By Fatima Areias

December 21, 2014

4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT



"Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word." Mary chose to cooperate with God. She didn't completely understand how his plan was going to unfold. She couldn't have known exactly what it all meant for her future. But she chose to offer herself to God's service nonetheless. And thanks to that generosity, the first Christmas happened nine months later.

Mary gives us a powerful example of saying yes to God. For her, the divine plan was revealed through the visit of the angel Gabriel. For us, it is usually revealed in less dramatic ways. We hear God's voice through the readings at Mass, through the homily, through the wise counsel of a trusted friend, through a spiritual book, through an inspirational speaker, or just in the prayerful silence of our own hearts. Regardless of how God speaks to us, we are in a similar situation to Mary's. We are faced with the choice either to accept God's will in our lives, saying yes as Mary did, or to say no and choose a different path. It may be tempting to stick to more familiar ground or to avoid the challenge of surrendering our plans to God. But just look what happened when Mary decided to let God lead: the greatest miracle in all of history! God became man because of a faithful woman. And God wants to work miracles through us too. Every time we cooperate with his will, he transforms us into more loving, more generous people.

As we round the corner toward Christmas this week, may we embrace God's will in our lives with the same joy and openness that ultimately allowed Mary to embrace the infant Jesus in her arms on Christmas Day.



READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 21, 2014

Sunday: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Rom 16:25-27/Lk 1:26-38
Monday: 1 Sm 1:24-28/Lk 1:46-56
Tuesday: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Lk 1:57-66
Wednesday: Morning: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Lk 1:67-79
Vigil: Is 62:1-5/Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25
Thursday: Day: Is 52:7-10/Heb 1:1-6/Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14
Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59/Mt 10:17-22
Saturday: 1 Jn 1:1-4/Jn 20:1a, 2-8
Next Sunday: Gn 15:1-6; 21:1-3 or Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/Heb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19 or Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22, 39-40

Second collection: Religious Education

Last week's plate collection: \$2,916.00
Retirement Fund for Religious: \$805.00
Next week's collection: Maintenance & Repair

Thank you for your continued generosity.



Let us pray for all who are listed in our Book of Remembrance and all souls. Pray for the sanctification of our priests.

FATHER JERRY'S BIBLE CLASS CANCELLED
Bible Classes will resume in 2015.

WALK FOR LIFE Saturday, January 24, 2015 at Civic Center Plaza, San Francisco 12:30 pm. Rally starts at Civic Center Plaza, walking down Market Street and ends at Justin Herman Plaza/Ferry Building. Info 415 658-1793. Because women deserve better than abortion. TRANSFORMATION IN WISDOM: AT PRAYER WITH ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS A 6 day silent directed retreat with Fr. Steve Coffey, O.S.B., January 3-9, 2015 at Three Rivers. Cost \$575. Info, call St. Anthony Retreat 559 561-4595.

PILGRIMAGE TO OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE & COLONIAL MEXICO May, 2015 Contact Bernadette 323 344-1548 or 547-6618.

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE
Wednesday, December 24, 2014
Children's Evening Mass 4:30 pm
Midnight Mass 12:00 am

Thursday, December 25, 2014
Christmas Day Mass 9:30 am
Spanish Mass 11:00 am

Thursday, January 1st, 2015
New Year's Mass 9:30 am

CONFESSIONS

Saturday, December 20, 2014
11:00 - 12:00 pm

OUR LADY OF ASSUMPTION
Wednesday, December 24, 2014
Christmas Eve Spanish Mass 10:00 pm
Thursday, December 25, 2014
Christmas Day, Bilingual Mass 9:00 am

The angels announced tidings of great joy for all the people. How is Jesus born in you this day? Celebrate the presence of Emmanuel in a special way. Luke 2:1-14



LA NATIVIDAD DEL SEÑOR

Una manera de lograr que la celebración litúrgica de hoy sea radiante y llena de contenido para los presentes es que pongamos atención a los detalles. Uno de ellos es estar atentos a las personas que acuden ocasionalmente a la Iglesia en este día de Navidad. Es el momento de ofrecer una hospitalidad radical. Es decir, acogerlos para que se sientan bienvenidos y participen activamente y frecuentemente en la Eucaristía. El párroco y su equipo pastoral tienen una gran responsabilidad en estos gestos sencillos. Un buen criterio para saber si vamos por el camino correcto es sencillamente el preguntarnos a nosotros mismos si nos damos a entender a los nuevos participantes. Sabiendo que la riqueza de los textos es muy rica y varía en las cuatro Misas que celebramos, ¿nos preparamos bien para esta Navidad? ¿Reflexionamos y oramos con las lecturas? ¿Es nuestro lenguaje entendible?

Todos debemos de estar a tono. La fiesta que celebramos es el inicio de algo nuevo en nuestra vida y en la sociedad. ¡Celebramos al Emmanuel entre nosotros! Nuestra historia no es lejana para Dios; él está cerca de nosotros. La Encarnación y el Nacimiento de Jesús son un motivo para estar alegres y no tristes por no haber recibido regalos materiales. Seamos como los pastores que, al anuncio de los ángeles, apresuradamente fueron a ver y adorar al Niño Jesús envuelto en pañales. ¡Fue su mejor regalo! ¡Dios, el más rico del universo, dejándose contemplar por los pobres! "Después de verlo, contaron lo que se les había dicho de aquel niño" (Lc 2, 17). ¿Qué hemos visto hoy? ¿Qué vamos a contar de este niño? ¡Celebramos con gozo su nacimiento!



Lecturas para la semana del 21 de diciembre de 2014

Domingo: 2 Sm 7, 1-5, 8-12, 14, 16/Rom 16, 25-27/Lc 1, 26-38
Lunes: 1 Sm 1, 24-28/Lc 1, 46-56
Martes: Mal 3, 1-4, 23-24/Lc 1, 57-66
Miércoles: Misa matutina: 2 Sm 7, 1-5, 8-12, 14, 16/Lc 1, 67-79
Misa vespertina de la vigilia: Is 62, 1-5/Hch 13, 16-17, 22-25/Mt 1, 1-25 o 1, 18-25 Misa de media noche: Is 9, 1-3, 5-6/Tit 2, 11-14/Lc 2, 1-14 Misa del día: Is 52, 7-10/Heb 1, 1-6/Jn 1, 1-18 o 1, 1-5, 9-14
Viernes: Hch 6, 8-10; 7, 54-59/Mt 10, 17-22

THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

Let us go, then, to Bethlehem to see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us." Take a moment to contemplate the Nativity scene displayed at your church for the season. Most parishes set up a large stable hosting the Holy Family, embellished by lights or greenery and surrounded by the Christmas cast of characters. Undoubtedly, at least one of the shepherds in the scene is carrying a sheep on his shoulders or has one following close beside him. The image is one of a faithful man who went straight from his work in the fields—where the angels appeared—to the manger in nearby Bethlehem.

When the shepherds heard the heavenly announcement, "A savior has been born for you who is Christ and Lord," they acted on the news right away. They picked up and journeyed to find the "infant wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger." The artists who depict these humble men with their sheep in tow are suggesting that the shepherds came as they were. They didn't pause to make arrangements for the sheep or to take a shower. They went to worship the baby Jesus without pretense or preparation. And we are called to do the same, to come to Jesus as we are, without hesitation.

Today, we celebrate the fact that God came to earth as a baby, a beautiful, innocent infant who does not judge or reject people. He came as a tiny child who asks only for our love and attention in return. Like the shepherds, we too have received the good news! We have a savior who loves us and can be found by all those who desire to know him. Let us go then, without delay, into the presence of the baby Jesus who welcomes us to his manger this Christmas Day.

Thanks for a great year

MY OFFERING ENVELOPES

The 2015 envelopes have been placed on the back table in the church. Check for your name (most will have the same number). Should you not have a box and would like one, please complete a form from the front of the bulletin. We do appreciate all of you using the envelopes. Your contribution is posted and a statement will be mailed to you.

2015 WORLD MARRIAGE DAY

Sunday, February 8, 2015, 3 pm at St. Anthony of Padua. Married couples who are celebrating anniversaries of 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50+ are invited to register directly www.diocesoffreno.org or phone Edith 488-7474 ext. 103. There is a \$10 registration fee to help defray the cost. Deadline is January 26, 2015.

FELIZ NAVIDAD !!!

Que el nacimiento de Niño Jesús llene de Paz, Fe, y Esperanza la vida de sus familias y con un corazón abierto y solidario sigamos acciéndolo al necesitado, al migrante, al abandonado. Les desean Padre Jerry, Hermanas MEMI y equipo de oficina.

El angel le contestó: "El Espíritu Santo descendió sobre tí y el poder del Altísimo te cubrió con su sobra. Por eso, el Santo, Que va a nacer de tí, será llamado Hijo de Dios".

CAMINATA POR LA VIDA

Porque las mujeres merecen algo mejor que el Aborto. Sabado, 24 de enero, Rally: 12:30 PM, Plaza del Centro Cívico, San Francisco, caminando la calle de Market finaliza en Justin Herman Plaza. BART en ambos lugares. Amplio estacionamiento. Para informacion, 415 658-1793.

CONFESSIONS Sabado, 20 de diciembre 11:00 - 12:00 pm
MISA Jueves, Dia de Navidad, 25 de diciembre 11:00 am Español

Un niño nos ha nacido, un hijo se nos ha dado. Estamos dispuestos a proclamar la noticia de gran alegría a nuestro mundo? Isaías 9:11-6

Segunda Colecta: Educacion Religioso

Colecta la semana pasada: \$2,916.00
Fondo para la Jubilation Religioso: \$805.00
Proxima semana coleccion: Mantenimiento y reparaciones
Mil gracias y que Dios les bendiga por su generosidad.